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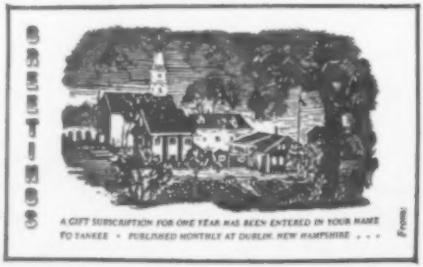

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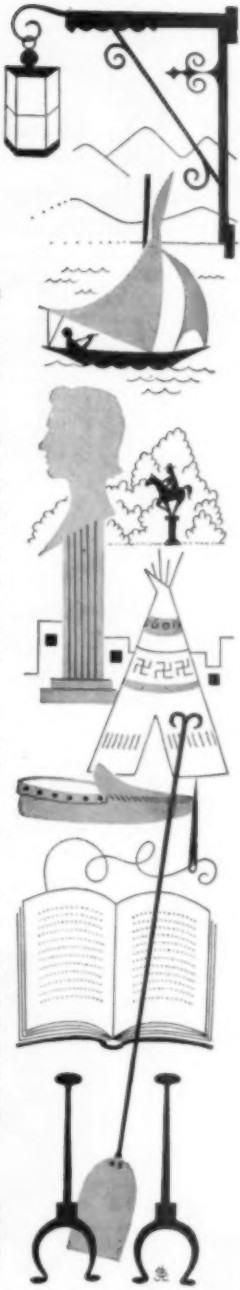

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►*Conn.: Dear Oracle:* The raccoons are getting fat on the fresh water clams in our lake! Is there any way at all that I can cook them so we can share the wealth with the "creatures of the forest?" J.L.K.

Answer: As a longshore dweller for the heft of our years—we are not too familiar with fresh-water life, especially clams. But we have been told that some of these fresh-water mollusks are not recommended for human consumption. If it was us, we would steam a few and try 'em on a dog.

►*Ohio: Dear Oracle:* I'm interested to discover the weather conditions that prevailed in Essex County, Massachusetts on or before December 17, 1807. M.W.R.

Answer: It is our impression that official records on weather in this area do not go back as far as 1807. However, the U.S. Weather Bureau maintains a station at Blue Hill Observatory which will probably have all available records. Mail addressed through the Milton, Mass., post office should reach this station.

►*Fla.: Dear Oracle:* I trust that you will not mind me giving some details about this Hoedag mentioned in an earlier column. It is quite understandable that you Easterners would know very little about the animal. Its proper name is Sidehill Gouger, and it is a native and found only in the foothills of southern Alberta.

You are correct in stating that the long legs are approximately 18 inches longer than its body. When it is frightened or wishes to reverse its direction it simply puts its neck under its belly and therefore is headed in the opposite direction. We natives consider the meat a luxury and to shoot them the Winchester Arms Co. built us a special rifle with a curved barrel so the bullet would travel around the hill. With it we were quite successful. W.T.L.

Answer: Something wrong, somewhere! Aside from a couple of details, you have described the Rocky Mountain Oooglyoo, found mostly in Colorado. This critter is shaped very much like your Sidehill Gouger, but it has a sort of shell on the tip of its nose and its hind-feet are large and flat.

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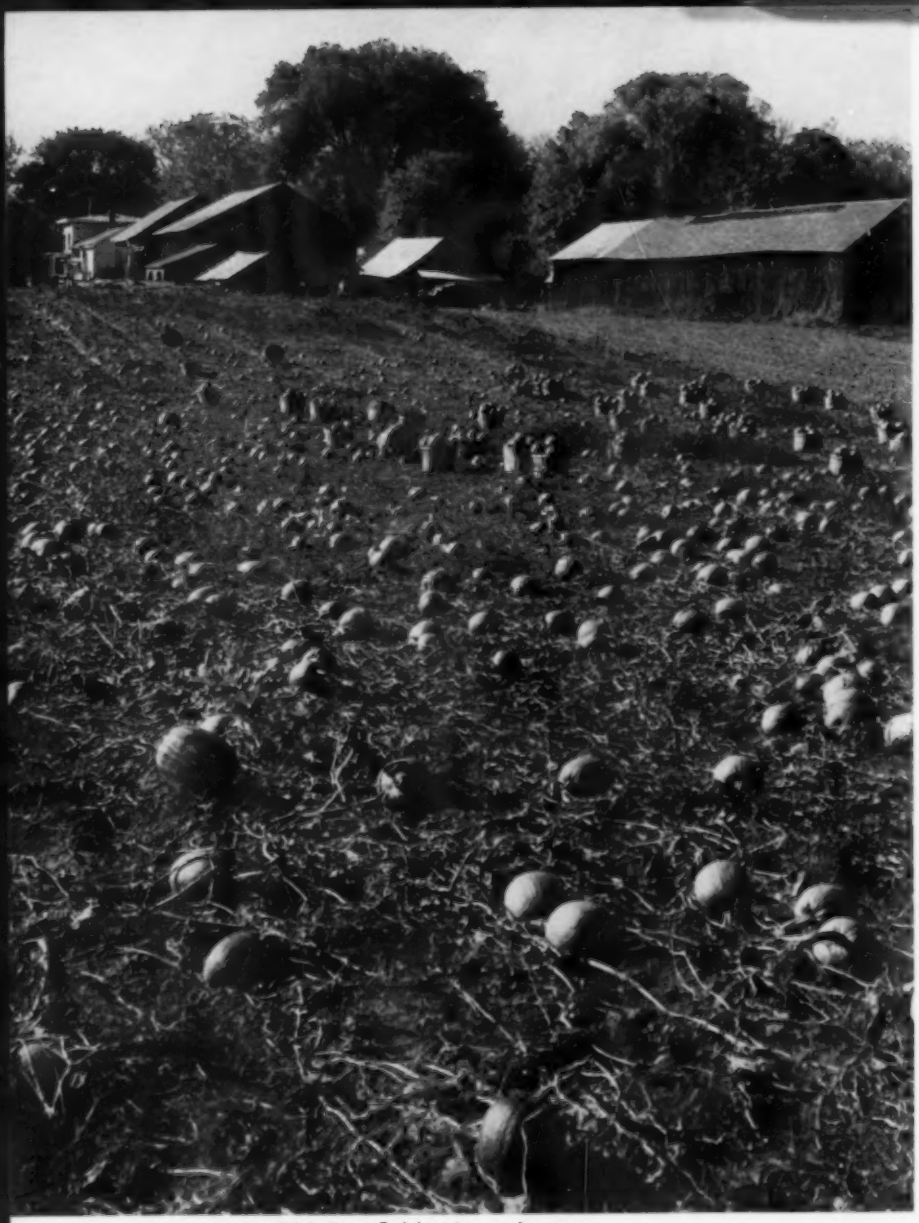

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The Rockers

SHE STOPPED HER PEA-GREEN CONvertible beside me, and there she was leaning out, a heap of curlicued yellow hair, a mouth slashed big beneath big oily-green goggles shaped like huge lima beans, asking: "Where doesn't this road lead to, please?"

The question made no sense. Maybe she was blind, but then she wouldn't be driving a car; maybe she was a foreigner, except she had no accent and she did have a Rhode Island license plate. Even so the sign right beside her car said: Newport, and Mount Hope Bridge. Well, it was raining, a steady spray-drizzle, and maybe that excused her. "Come again," I said, and added "please" with a real question mark.

"I know where it goes, but I don't want to go anywhere," she answered, and her smile went like a teeter-totter.

Nothing she said made any sense. Besides, any woman with plain everyday sense wouldn't have stopped me anyway. I'd just crossed over from the wet bushes and was on barefeet, with dungarees and a sweatshirt, and I had sorta half thought I might be going after a

Two old Yankees can handle about anything -- even a nutty blonde with a pet woodchuck

few quahogs, scooping them up with bare hands, because my aunt had promised me a blueberry pie. Nobody with sense goes walking in the rain without being dressed for it. I kept thinking about her dizzy question so long, that she said: "Well?"

"If you want to go no place at all," I said, "take that there little dirt road I just crossed over from. It just goes and comes to and from nowhere."

"Thank you," she cried, showing a bit more of her small freckled nose that didn't fit the rest of her face, but maybe because she was screwing it up for thanks. I couldn't even exactly call her a tomato, like in the hard-boiled detective stories I'd been reading lately. She wasn't young enough; and she was too dizzy. I just watched her go.

She didn't go far. She stopped, and then she backed up. "Any place I can take you?" she asked kind of indifferently. "You're walking and it's raining."

That was pretty obvious. "I'm going nowhere," I told her. "I'm just mooching around."

"Well, I'm (*Continued on page 44*)

from Putney to Pakistan

The Peace Corps takes advantage of a successful Experiment

Left: the President of The Experiment, Gordon Boyce, in front of the Administration Building in Putney. Below: volunteers fill out medical blanks shortly after arrival.

• In a few weeks, a group of men and women, skilled in such fields as farm production, teaching, sanitation and even bricklaying, will travel to East Pakistan from Putney, Vermont. They are the ninth project scheduled by the Peace Corps and, since August 21st, they have been undergoing a rigorous training program conducted by The Experiment in International Living. The photographs on these and the next two pages were taken the day they arrived in Putney. There were thirty of them—and from many walks of life. A bricklayer giving up a $40-a-day career in Cleveland to volunteer his services, a 62-year-old teacher from Nevada, a 20-year-old farmer—but within a few hours their common enthusiasm for their chosen new way of life joined them together into a solid and hard-working unit. Ahead lay eight weeks' training, a three-week period with Pakistani families and, finally, in December, moving to their various assignments in five Pakistan communities.

Photographs by LAWRENCE F. WILLARD

Above: Ellsworth Bunker, former ambassador to Argentina, Rome and India, addresses the volunteers. This Pakistan group is among 490 Peace Corps members accepted from 12,000 applicants!

Right (middle): Mrs. John Arapura, shown with Mr. Arapura and son, is one of the instructors in the Bengali language —taught in entire sentences, rather than grammatically, to hasten a basic grasp.

Right (bot.): Joseph Wheeler of the Peace Corps with Robert Terry of The Experiment. Besides conducting initial training for the Pakistan project, The Experiment will administer the program overseas.

Left: the founder of The Experiment, Dr. Donald Watt. Peace Corps volunteers will live at the level of Pakistanis of their particular skill and will receive $1800 at the completion of the two-year period.

Left (middle): volunteers get acquainted on arriving in Putney. One of the biggest adjustments they will face in E. Pakistan is the rigid separation of sexes there. Casual dating is almost unknown.

Below: Khwaja M. Kaiser, Minister at the Pakistan Embassy in Washington, D. C., talks about the life in Pakistan to Joseph Wheeler and Roger Hord (back to camera), Oregon volunteer.

FRANKLIN'S "bloody" APPLES

Franklin, Connecticut, used to be mysteriously reminded of a murder — every Spring and Fall.

by JOSEPH A. OWENS

FRANKLIN, A SMALL TOWN IN EASTERN CONNECTICUT, CLAIMS a juicy tale the likes of which never flowed from Ben's talented quill.

It's about apples, small, shiny, and tasty—and stained with blood.

The apples, known as "Mikes," could be plucked from only one tree in Franklin, the community of seven hills lying inconspicuously between historic Lebanon and the city of Norwich. This tree graced the Micah Rood Farm in the Peck Hollow Section, about one-half a mile from the stately Congregational Church.

For some 250 years this fruit bearer thrived in fertile soil near the Susquetomscot Stream, until uprooted by the 1938 hurricane. With the death of their lone source, "Mikes" went out of existence, but not the story surrounding their birth.

Here are the "facts."

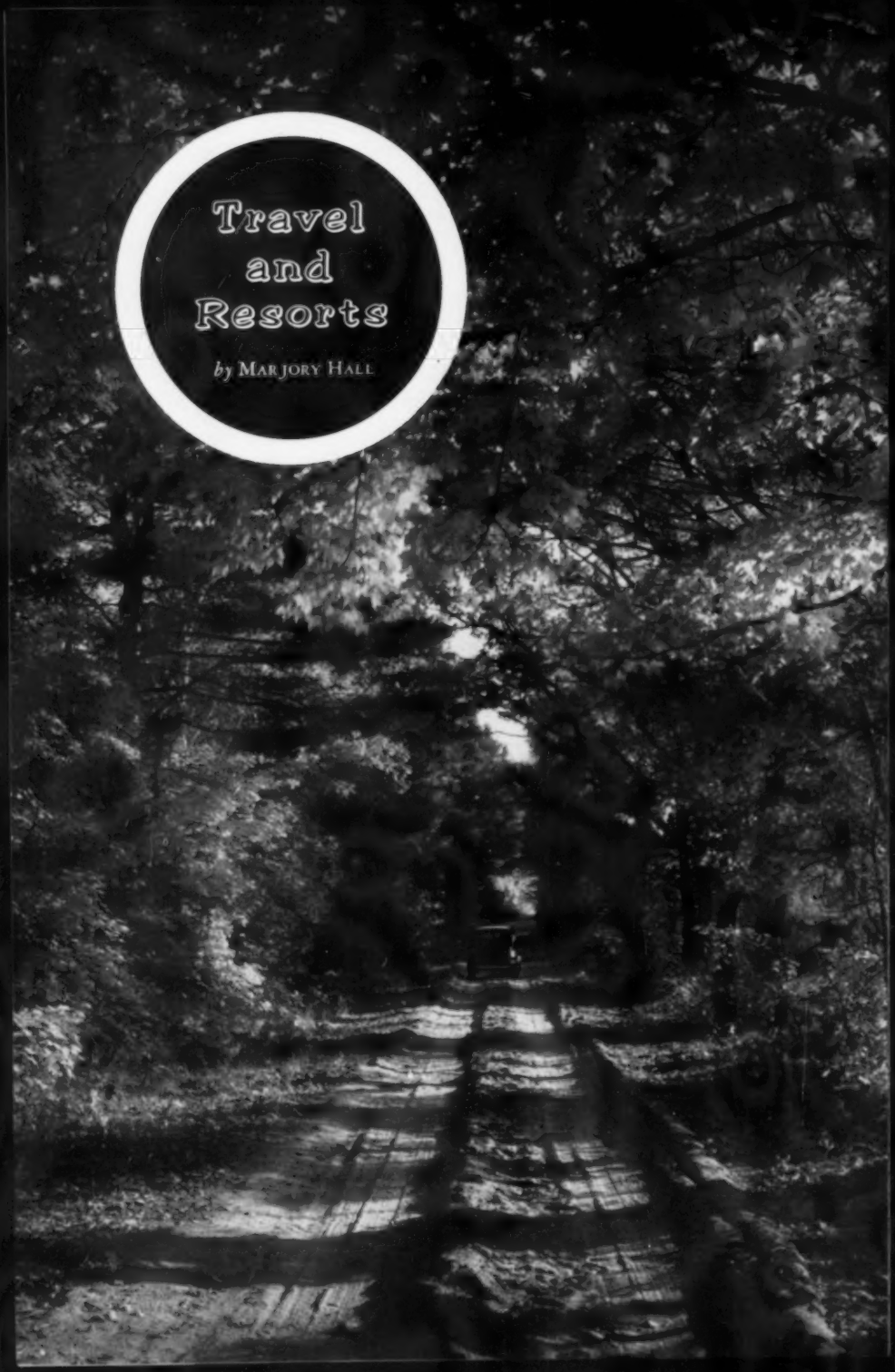
Micah Rood settled in Peck Hollow in 1699. From his farm and orchard he harvested the necessities of life, little more. One December evening a peddlar, on regular rounds in the tiny settlement, called on Micah, hoping to make a sale or two.

Dazzled by the display of goods, but not able to afford a purchase, Micah reportedly became crazed and thrust a knife into the heart of the itinerant businessman. He then carried the body outside and buried it beneath an apple tree.

With the arrival of warm weather this tree, which had always worn a spring coat of snowy white blossoms, was covered with red petals. Little attention was given the color change, but in August a wave of curiosity swept through town.

Young boys playing on the Rood Farm bit into some apples from the tree. Each apple contained a red globule in its center. The next day townfathers went to the farm, split dozens of apples open, and found the crimson clots.

Curiosity turned to fear when the (*Continued on page 110*)



Travel and Resorts

by Marjory Hall

Fall Kaleidoscope

• THE GREAT DANBURY STATE FAIR OPENS FOR NINE DAYS on September 30th, and if you're in the vicinity—which covers a lot of territory—you should find it well worth a visit any day through October 8th. The 1961 edition, called "Beauty for Fair," will present many new features to the more than 150,000 visitors expected this year.

To begin with, the grounds themselves have been improved and made more attractive, with hundreds of trees and shrubs planted throughout. A new area, the "Florarama" walk, has been created from the main Arena gate to the Big Top building, and a hothouse has been constructed for the display of plants and flowers, with a 100-foot-long pergola installed for arbors and vines. Eight-foot flower beds now border the 300-foot-long walks.

One big attraction will be New Amsterdam, an historical Dutch Village. Among the twenty-six buildings of authentic Dutch design, fairgoers will see The Fort New Amsterdam dungeons, a typical Dutch schoolhouse and bakery, the City Hall, and a Dutch church where religious services will be held on the two Sunday mornings of the Fair's existence.

For the young and the not-so-young-at-that, there will be new sightseeing train rides made all the more interesting because of a sound system that permits "conductors" to point out and explain the many areas of interest. A spectacular street parade will be one of the daily attractions in which the famous Budweiser champion Clydesdale horses, Ward Beam's world-famous white horse troupe, bands, floats, animals and farm machines will all be there for the seeing. On Saturdays

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More Dates to Watch For

If you're touring New England in search of color (and you should be!) you'll find assorted events to amuse you between eyefeastings . . . No one knows, of course, just when Mr. Frost gets out his paintbrush but in general the first two weeks of October are expected to be the dates of his one-man show. In the Worcester area, a most unusual exhibit is being planned for October 9th-22nd to coincide with foliage dates, when a glorified doll house show will be put on to raise money for the Craft Center, where the show is to be held . . . In Concord, Massachusetts, crafts old and new will be demonstrated in Monument Hall, Oct. 13th and 14th—it's the Arts & Crafts Fair held by The Minute Man Crafts, Inc.

In Connecticut, besides the aforementioned Danbury Fair, you can find one in Harwinton, 7th-8th; Riverton, 14th-15th; Antiques Fair, Salisbury, 5th-7th; and a Craft Fair in Hartford, 17th-21st. There'll also be an Antiques Outdoor Show in Trumbull, on the 7th, and a Horse Show in Suffield on the 8th. . .

Eileen Farrell is scheduled to sing at the Stadium Theatre in Woonsocket, Rhode Island, on the 3rd. . . The big Navy Day Parade is tentatively scheduled for the 22nd in Newport, with an auto exhibit of antique and sports cars along with . . . The Chrysanthemum Show at Swan Point Cemetery in Providence will be held on the 15th. . .

Another tentative date, and this one in New Hampshire, is that of the Annual Fall Foliage Tour of the Classic Car Club of America on the 12th . . . The Annual Forestry Field Day at Fox State Forest will be held in Hillsboro from 10:30 A.M to 4:00 P.M on the 14th. . . Antiques Show, Peterborough, 12th-15th. . . The Third Annual New Hampshire State Muzzle Loading Championships, 7th-8th, in Dunbarton, just outside Concord. . . And on the 6th, 7th and 8th, a chance to photograph Fall color at East Hill Farm in Troy, with tours, instruction, country dances in costume, all sponsored by the New Hampshire Association of Camera Clubs. . . The Sandwich Town and Grange Fair will be

held as usual on the 12th. . . In Warner, the Fall Foliage Committee has worked up a program for its Annual Festival, to be held on the 7th and 8th. Highlight of the event will be a Giant Firemen's Muster on the 7th, featuring outstanding antique fire equipment from the six New England states, and there'll be an antique auto parade too. . .

Mansion in Maine

If your search for color takes you Maineward, we suggest a visit to "Montpelier," the General Knox Mansion in Thomaston, which is open daily until November 1st. Montpelier is the reconstructed home of General Henry Knox, who was one of our most important Revolutionary War leaders. Its superb interior, with a flying staircase, magnificent oval room, library, and fascinating bedrooms, is exactly as it was in 1795. You may feast your eyes on a Marie Antoinette Hepplewhite style bookcase, Hepplewhite tables, Duncan Phyfe chairs, Girandole candelabra, the Knox family silver, the army travelling chest given the General by Lafayette, and a host of other treasures of the period. Most important, however, is the fact that you never feel as though you were in a museum, but rather that you're in a beautiful and gracious home, miraculously whisked back nearly two centuries in time. Somehow one almost expects to see General Knox sitting at his desk, Lucy Knox presiding in the drawing room, and their daughter Caroline sweeping down the staircase on her way to a party.

When you wish to taste the full flavor of an old house, it's wise to know something of its original occupants. When Henry Knox was only eleven years old his father died, and he left school to help support his mother. He found a job in a bookstore and educated himself by reading and studying there. Later he joined a militia company and trained himself as a soldier. He married the daughter of a wealthy Tory family, in spite of her parents' opposition, and when the Revolution began the young couple fled from Boston, Lucy concealing Henry's sword beneath her cloak. This sword is at Montpelier today.

Although the British had occupied Boston, the colonists had seized the fort at Ticonderoga and there were guns and ammunition to be had. Knox believed they could be brought to Boston, and in the middle of winter, through snow and ice and over mountains and rivers, he moved more than sixty tons of armament with

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Partly through an inheritance of his wife's, and partly through his own purchases, General Knox had acquired an enormous acreage of land in Maine, consisting of approximately what is now Knox, Lincoln, and Waldo counties. On this land, where Thomaston is today, he had built, according to his own ideas and plans, a mansion that is still impressive, and which was at the time one of the most magnificent houses in the country, named by his wife "Montpelier."

When Knox retired from the service of his country, in 1795, he determined to build up the economy of his adopted state—which was then still part of Massachusetts. For the house warming, the Knoxes entertained, according to a letter written to a friend, "a small company of upwards of

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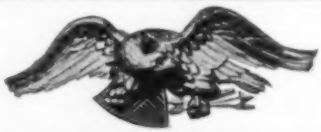

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going no where and I'm just mooching around. All I'm doing is getting Oscar used to the car, after going to the wrong funeral."

Which also made no sense, in fact, was so senseless that I got in the car sort of stunned, wondering why I was getting in a convertible with a dizzy cucumber, who said next, "that's the trouble with New England. Everything is casual."

I didn't have much chance to meditate on that one, because there between her and me on the seat was something dirty-brown with chisel-teeth jibbering and snarling, something flat and broad which I expected to stink, except it seemed perfumed, and all dandied up in a pink harness and a collar that had glitters and even little bells. A woodchuck! And when it snarled at me again, I said: "Maybe I'd better crawl into the back seat."

"Don't mind, Oscar," she said. "I'm getting him used to the car, and then he's migrating to Barbados."

Absolutely nothing she said made any sense, so I looked at her mute as if I was a foreigner myself, and shoved a few inches further away from the woodchuck called Oscar. "Going to let him loose in Barbados?" I asked. "I used to have a big snapping turtle when I was a kid, and he'd hiss just like that woodchuck. But he had no pink harness and all. Just a hole in his shell with a rope through it."

She was interested. She almost took off those kerosene hued goggles, and she flickered her hand with a lot of wedding and engagement rings on it, maybe no more than two of each, but it looked like a load. "How wonderful," she cried. "Where was that, honey?"

"Up Connecticut way, beyond Willimantic," I said hastily, telling the truth because her calling me "honey" threw me off pace.

"Why and you've got bare feet," she crowed, but in a rusty fashion like a young rooster. "Where did you expect to go on bare feet?"

I figured I might as well act dizzy, too. "I just went through the bayberry bushes to wash them," I said, but then she upset me because she'd actually taken off her goggles to look at my bare feet. The trouble was, the woodchuck showed too much interest in my wet, red feet too.

I had to remind myself woodchucks weren't carnivorous. They liked vegetables. Still, my toes looked like red carrots; carrots with nails on them, still that mightn't stop a woodchuck.

I felt I had to say something quick. "You see, I'm staying with my uncle and aunt here. I got sick and had to rest up. You see I'm eighteen and ready to go in the country's service."

She wasn't moved. She tugged the brown beast away from my red feet, however, and said: "Well, I'm thirty-eight. But I went to the wrong funeral this morning. What sect is it that has funerals early in the day in Rhode Island?"

I didn't know, but I said: "Might be Seventh Day Adventists. They lose days along the way and have to hurry up."

"Well, they were singing hymns and I tried to sing with them, and I didn't expect to recognize anybody, but I'd thought he was to be buried in the afternoon, and I came with the basket of marigolds. That's the Mexican funeral flower, you know. And now Richard will be furious because I left them there. Fortunately I had Oscar in the car."

Nothing she said made sense, so I might as well play the game, too. We passed a country graveyard with a lot of tilted stones, and she said "Lovely," and then maybe because the gravestones reminded her of death and disease, she asked: "What is it you're recovering from, dear?"

"Terminal Lobelia," I said pronto, which was close enough to the lombal or something pneumonia I'd really had and which had postponed my going in the army for a year. "It comes on before you go into the services."

"Never heard of it," she said flatly, "and my father is a doctor."

"Never heard of it myself," I said just as flatly, but she didn't tumble, but she continued in her own way: "So I was glad Oscar was in the car because it would have given me a headache, and he has to get used to the car."

"You can't get to Barbados in a car," I argued.

She didn't answer, maybe because what I said made real sense. Besides the country road ended in a highway. "I'm not going on that," she argued. "Where do we go now?"

I figured I was exhausted. Talking crazy and thinking crazy wasn't easy. Besides, I was truly recovering from pneumonia, and wouldn't my uncle and aunt be wor-

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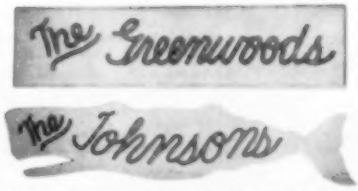

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ried to know I was tootling around backroads with this odd berry and a woodchuck. "You could turn and drive me back home," I said carefully. "You could meet my uncle and aunt. They'd love to meet a woodchuck that's going to Barbados." Like fun they would, but I couldn't talk straight any more once I got started.

"Oh that'd be wonderful," she croaked, and added: "I hate to be without purpose, don't you? I don't think a true Yankee is ever without purpose."

So I asked her: "Is Richard a Yankee?"

And she said: "Well, a Yankee-type." Which sort of settled for my not asking her what she was. A type, all right. She started humming when we turned around and she kept it up till we came to my uncle's house, because she went faster now, now that like a Yankee she had purpose. "Lovely," she exclaimed for the house, or my uncle or aunt, both rocking away on the porch on rockers as if they were in the cradle again, and like I hadn't seen them doing all the time I was with them. The whole world seemed to have gone crazy.

Up to that time I hadn't been able to figure out how to introduce this wild cucumber to my uncle and aunt. I might have known you couldn't faze a Yankee, being one myself. I really didn't have to do anything at all, because she leaped out with the stupid beast, sending Sophie the cat skirling right to the top of the gazebo or what-not, and chattering away, was right there on the porch with them, saying: quaint, darling, real, genuine, darling once more, historic, enchanting, lovely lines, and such things, and I realized it wasn't meant for my uncle and aunt, but the rockers they sat on. They themselves hadn't turned a hair. All I could do was act stunned. I might truly be having a case of terminal lobelia, which had affected my tired eighteen-year-old brain.

It ended when she remembered she had

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a zamba party. But Richard wouldn't be sore at her because she'd gone to the wrong funeral, when it turned out she was to have gone to his uncle's, a Swamp Yankee. Now she'd have these lovelies to soothe him with. The lovelies were the two rockers, which I had to shove into her convertible, while my uncle was being paid a clean hundred dollars for each of them. Why, my uncle and aunt were now studying me as if suddenly I'd become mighty like a rose, but they didn't know what to call me.

"Adorable," the woman kept shouting about the rockers, and practically forgetting Oscar who was going to Barbados. I found myself shouting: "Yessiree, I mean Ma'm," but it wasn't until I was directing her out of the driveway that I saw the little sign my uncle had lettered and which read: "Genuine N. E. Rockers For Sale." Well, I hadn't gotten out of the convertible on that side, for one thing. I remembered my uncle reading in a magazine last night that rockers were all the rage now. And he had some seventeen of them in the barn and grain shed. Also I had gone off in the rain across the fields, instead of proper-like down the drive. I came to when the woman began pumping my hand and chattering: "And such a unique approach. Walking barefoot down a New England country lane, and leading me to these lovely rockers. Such Yankee purpose!"

Then she was gone, but I wasn't yet stunned enough not to be able to see my uncle emerging from the grainshed with another cobwebbed rocker and my aunt streaking out to meet him. Ten minutes later I was even helping them scrape off old paint, but my aunt was telling me she'd have no time for baking a blueberry pie now, and my uncle was saying what wonderful pets woodchucks made, and when I told them I was having a small attack of terminal lobelia they never even stopped scraping. •

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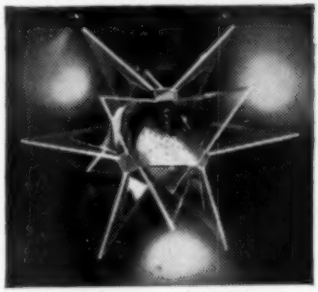

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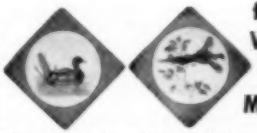

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Van's Barn

by Florence Thompson Howe

An old Vermont barn is transformed into a beautiful home.

• THIRTY YEARS AGO, THE STORIED SUMMER HOME IN VERMONT, STILL known to family and friends as "Van's Barn," was created by Evangeline Walker Andrews and her distinguished husband, the late Dr. Charles MacLean Andrews of Yale (winner of the Pulitzer prize for his *Colonial History of the United States*). "Van's Barn," really *is* a barn, of course—when it was owned by the late Clifton "Sherm" Sherman, former editor of the *Hartford* (Conn.) *Courant,* it functioned as one.

Adjoining Sherm's property on Dover Hill, Vermont, the highest rocky ledge commanding the eastern horizon drops in sheer drama to the valley below. The breath-taking view spreads from the White Mountains on the north, 'round the circling horizon to Wachusett Mountain, near Worcester, Massachusetts.

This was the site!

Earl Streeter, local builder who had grown up with hand-hewn beams and the mortise-and-tenon joint, agreed to take down Sherm's barn and move it, piece by piece, timber by timber, to it's new home. Joe Goodell, last of the dry-stone masons, was engaged to lay foundations for building and terrace.

"We tore off the old roof," Mr. Streeter says. " 'twa'n't worth saving. The sills were rotted and some of the weathered siding was too far gone to use. But, driving 'round the back country, Mrs. Andrews saw plenty of old barns and it wa'n't too hard to get some good weathered boards the lengths we needed. Fred Holland agreed," Mr. Streeter added, "to swap his siding (weathered gray like Mrs. Andrews wanted) for spanking new boards built back in place on his barn. Fred was a practical man."

There was no lowing of phantom cattle nor ghostly neighing from empty

The view from the terrace spreads from the White Mountains to Wachusett Mountain, Mass!

horse-stalls when contractor Streeter and his men marked rafters and plates with identical numbers, took out the old wooden pins from mortise-and-tenon joints and brought down the great timbers gently, as though lowering "The Flag" at taps.

The skeleton of the seventy-five-year-old structure (38′ x 40′) down, the 40′ plates and 12″ half-round spruce rafters, the 14′ uprights (10″ x 10″ square posts running from sill to plate) were loaded ignominiously onto the builder's trucks in true Vermont fashion, sans fanfare and the blowing of trumpets.

On the new site, old hand-hewn timbers were used for sills. They put half-inch pine inside. "Fred Holland let us have

The fireplace with the three-ton hearth.

The barn-raising. A frame swings into place.

An interior glimpse showing the bar beneath the balcony. A kitchen is just to the right.

old boards for new," Mr. Streeter said. "The floor in the main room was made from the old threshing floor in the barn," he went on. "It was laid groove and spline, every plank, so's the grain couldn't go down the threshing. Where the 14" planks were dented from the flail in the threshing, we took 'em to the shop and planed 'em, and matched 'em up with other old planks. Mrs. Andrews' study and the bedroom walls we put up with pine boards. We made the stairs to the gallery of the old planks and the rail out of old hand-adzed timbers."

It might be said right here that the Andrews' granddaughter, an accomplished pianist, had no trouble getting her grand piano. (*Continued on page 94*)

This is Clifton Sherman's barn (center) before it was moved and adapted by the Andrews.

◄ *"I felt at home in Maine almost as soon as we were introduced," says Robert Solotaire.*

WITH EACH GENERATION OF AMERICAN painters, there arises a group whose inspiration springs from the variety of New England. From the charmingly primitive portraits of early Colonists to the deeply moving works of Edward Hopper, New England has nurtured much of America's best painting.

Robert Solotaire, a young painter who feels very much a part of this tradition, appreciatively admits his indebtedness to those who have preceded him. In trying to put into words what it is about New England that he has become so fond of, Solotaire suggests that the most important element is a virtually tangible 'sense of time' that he feels pervades so much of the landscape and the artifacts that mark it. Whether symbolized by a sunlit white house or a weather-bruised dory, the landscape seems filled with scenes where the hand of man and the persistent touch of nature have joined together. "I get a feeling of the past and the future merging, with nature serving as the catalyst," say Solotaire. (*Continued on page 115*)

A productive and beautiful association has developed between young artist Robert Solotaire and the coast of Maine.

by MORTON SEGAL

Painting from Love

"Harpswell Yard" by R. Solotaire (from the collection of Andrew Wilson)

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◄ *Even the once lowly Dime Novel has advanced in value throughout the last 10 years.*

WHEN NEIGHBOR FRED MILLER started to build his son a soap box derby racer, he used about twenty-six books as substitute jacks for propping the streamliner while he installed the wheels. These volumes were out of cartons destined for the Salvation Army. Recently he and his wife had weeded out items they classified as obsolete, the ones unlikely ever to be read again or borrowed by friends. Such space hogs had no place in the Miller home library.

One day when I strolled over to admire Fred's handiwork, he was somewhat upset when I showed more interest in the book boxes than I did in his garage-built Mercury creation. "Take those books home if you want them. I can't afford the space to make this place a library reading room," he remarked acidly.

"Okay, but since when can you afford to give away $25 items?" I fired back at him, holding out an original printing of *Peck's Bad Boy and His Pa* for his inspection. "Who you kidding with that old thing?" he ejaculated, and with one motion he pivoted and looped it overhead into a metal rubbish container with dexterity and accuracy that would have done credit to an All-American basketballer. "Nice shot!" I admitted candidly, "but you probably just knocked $10 off its value," as I heard it scrape into broken glass and tin cans.

Later, when I showed him my copy of American Book Prices Current, the red book of prevailing auction prices, Miller had to admit he had been hasty and ignorant. He insisted I check all his books, which I did. In the search, I came across two other important minor items that had an auction tag of $34. No longer showing his contempt for old books, my neighbor waxed philosophical. "Imagine," he stated gravely like an old sage, unconsciously drawing a dollar sign in the gray dust of a bookshelf, "You don't need a shovel to hit pay dirt in your library!"

"Nicely put, chum," I cracked quickly, grinning, "especially when the guy next door does all the work and wears his eyes down to the optic nerves to uncover buried treasure for an ingrate!"

In the past, articles on books and their values have tended to stress the finding of valuable items such as *Tamerlane*, Boston 1827 (*Continued on page 118*)

An authority gives the low-down on old books and their values. Read it before you house clean!

by CLARENCE M. FINK

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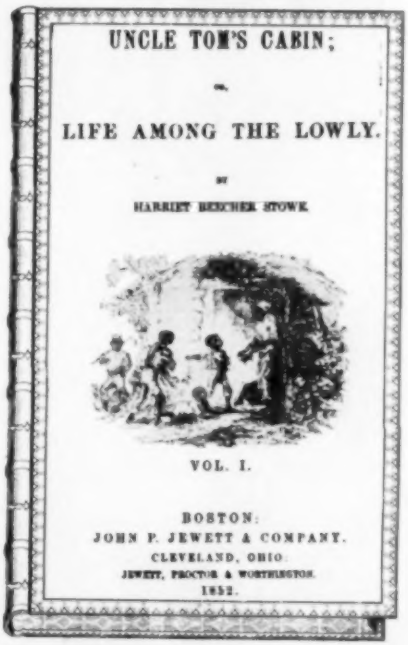
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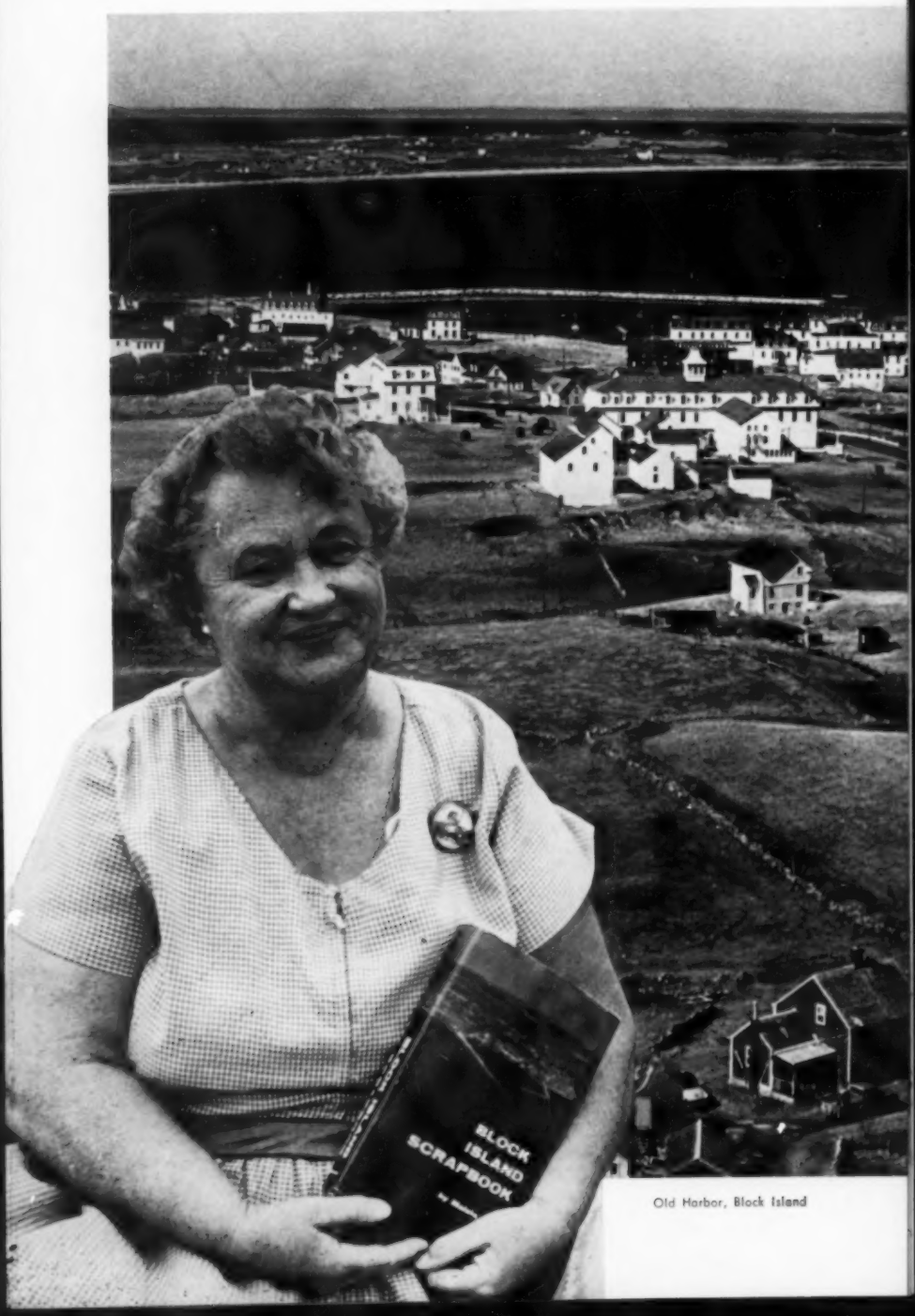

Old Harbor, Block Island

MAIZIE *of Block Island, R.I.*

My philosophy is simply "live and let live"; look forward; smile if it almost kills me (sometimes I could be hung for what I'm THINKING!); and anyone can be replaced — be he a billionaire, which I am not, or a taxi driver, which I am. We depart this world on a common level. His ticket of departure may cost more—but it isn't worth more.

Her real name is (Mrs.) Mary Rose but to Block Islanders she is simply "Maizie."—even her book, *Block Island Scrapbook*, is "by Maizie."

I married at 17; raised two sons, two daughters, cooked for four and five farmhands, washed, ironed, painted, sewed, raked hay, made butter, did up quarts 'n quarts of everything from tuna to peaches—and in my spare time I took up newspaper work.

She also ran a store and the "Garden Gate Tea Room" on Block Island for fifteen years.

Then I decided to grow old comfortably. Had acquired a Nash car, Labrador retriever and another husband—in that order. Couldn't stand inactivity so went to taxi-ing and nine years, three cars later I'm still going strong. My slogan: "Ramble in Maizie's Rambler."

Photographs by PAUL A. DARLING

Although Maizie meets the *Quonset* from Galilee, R. I., (see opposite page) twice a day, she specializes in "informative tours" of the island. On these tours, she loves to have children along, directing her conversation to them while the parents listen. *Teen-agers? If more people stayed young at heart and still acted their age, our teen-agers might not resent the "oldsters" so much. There still are plenty of delinquent OLD people.*

Maizie's tour usually lasts about an hour and a half. Below, she has stopped to explain one of several monuments which have been placed all about the island commemorating various facets of Block Island lore.

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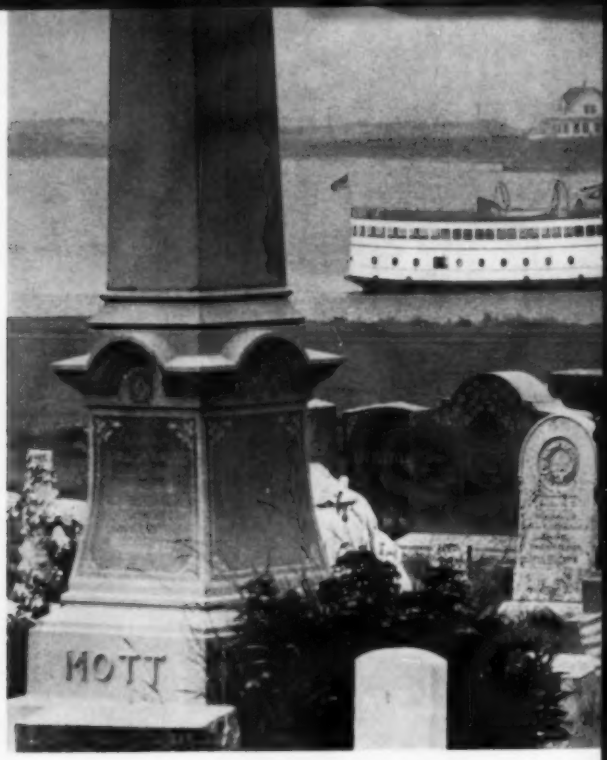

Memories are important to everyone. Pleasant memories fill lonely gaps and are not necessarily emotional unless one turns them into regrets. As part of its Tercentenary this summer, Block Island invited the Mayor of Shoreham, England, for a five-day visit. Maizie twice "toured" His Honor around the island. *He was charming, a fluent speaker, never dull. Departed with tears in his eyes — ours, too!*

Maizie often makes direct reference from her *Block Island Scrapbook* in pointing out various landmarks along the tour. At left is New Harbor in early morning mist with the old burial ground in the foreground. Below, Old Harbor, looking across a garden of gladioli from a hotel site. Here is where the tour ends.

Captain Melvin Rose (above), Maizie's husband, was recently forced, due to ill health, to sell his boat *(part of his very life has gone with it)* after fifty-two years of commercial fishing and guiding. *Everyone has troubles. Just look around. But just as Someone gives the birds strength to migrate thousands of miles (we spend hours caring for the birds—Block Island being a migratory haven for them) is it not likely Someone gives us strength, too? A simple, undisturbed, unquestioning Faith is ours. And a couple who understand, appreciate and love one another because of adversities which brought them together, have an enviable depth of mutuality—if there is such a word. It is a companionship rare, ever present, whether together or apart; unexplainable, but there. We are such a couple.* Right: the famous Southeast Light looms above in the morning fog as Maizie rambles off to conclude another grand tour of Block Island. END

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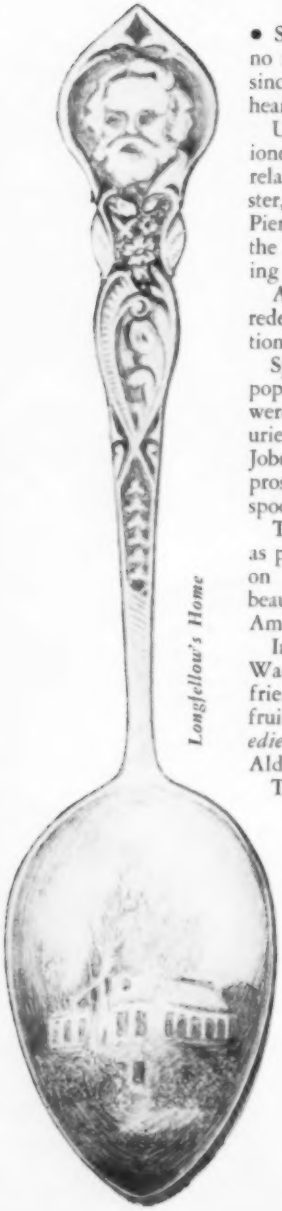
Spoons and Spooks!



Longfellow's Home

• SPOONS AND SPOOKS WOULD HAVE HAD no reason to seek out each other's company, since even the grossest of wraiths is not a hearty eater.

Until 1816, American spoons were fashioned to the same patterns as their European relatives, but that year a young Boston minister, John Pier-pont, grandfather of John Pierpont Morgan the financier, borrowed on the family silver to pay the costs of publishing his book *Airs of Palestine*.

After his book sold its third printing, he redeemed his spoons, causing public attention to be fastened to these objects.

Spoon collecting developed into a very popular hobby, among those Americans who were comfortable enough to afford the luxuries of life. Moses Morse of Boston and Jobey Gorham of Providence grew quite prosperous g r a f t i n g so-called "keepsake" spoons.

These were simply fashioned, at first, but as people's desire to record important events on silver spoon handles increased, their beauty in design became an art form, as American as Betsy Ross' flag.

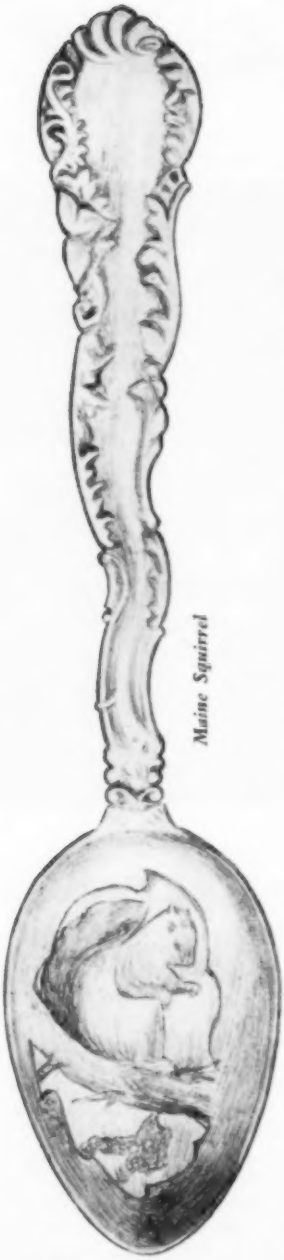
In 1858 the New England poet, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, at the urging of his friends, turned his pen on the Puritans. The fruit of his labors, *New England Tragedies,* described the love triangle of John Alden, Priscilla Mullins and Miles Standish.

The Alden (*Continued on page* 71)

Plymouth Courtship

Rare old spoons tell remarkable tales — even "spooky" ones

by SONIA BARRY



Maine Squirrel

family, known for their robust health and their many wonderful intellectual and emotional qualities, was representative of those who developed early New England. The publication of the *Tragedies* made people remember them again with renewed pride.

The tokens of their affection were three distinctive spoons, one with the handle fashioned into exquisitely etched figures of Priscilla and John Alden on their way to church. She carries a prayer book in her large hands, and he shoulders a heavy musket. This spoon is the property of Howard Heffron of Adrian, Michigan. He has another entitled "Plymouth Courtship" which depicts Miles Standish, in military stance, as he must have looked while he waited to know the results of his courtship with Priscilla. John, the winner of Priscilla's hand, stands by her on the nave of the spoon. On a banderole, spiraling around the spoon handle, is the famous quotation "Speak for yourself, John."

The third spoon pictures Priscilla, cape about her, basket full of nourishing food in one hand, while the other hand knocks at a plain wooden door, immortalized in silver on one of her errands of mercy.

New Englanders did not forget Longfellow, the poet of their hearts, and they honored him with three well-made spoons.

The first shows Craigie House, his well-loved residence, where he lived from 1837 until his death in 1882. Longfellow's head is near the tip of the spoon handle, framed in an Olgival band and surrounded by roses, forever linking him to his beloved home.

The other two spoons depict first, his boyhood home in Portland, Maine, and then his face, molded in great detail.

The spoons are conservative in design and dignified in their patterning. Nothing new or daring would have suited Longfellow, a traditional poet enjoyed by every member of the family.

An apparition, not at all conservative, was the first spook to be commemorated by a silver spoon. His name was Squire (*Continued on page 92*)

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by RALPH A. BARNES

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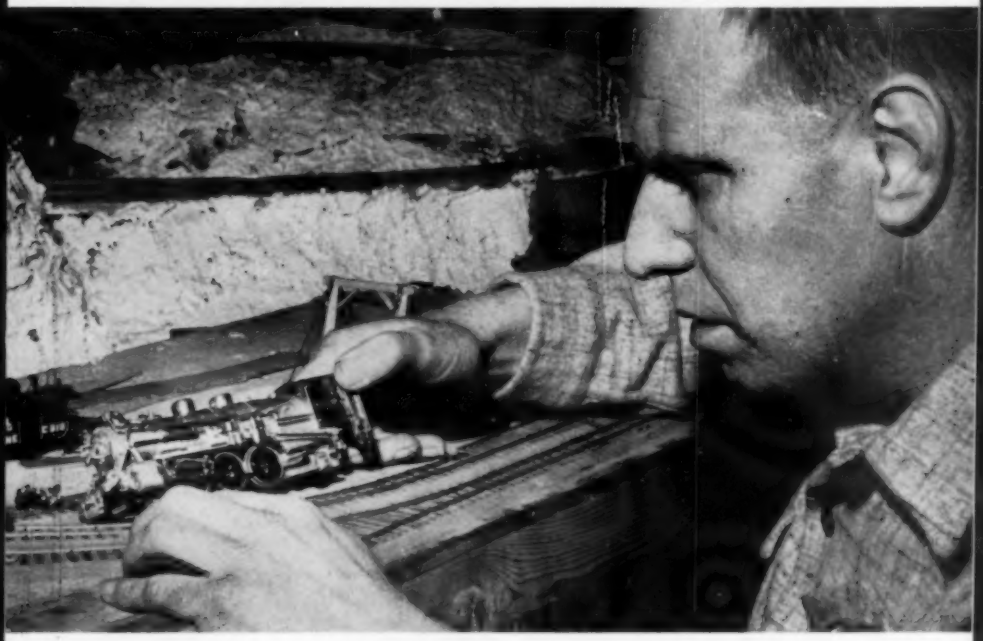
Successful Railroad!

Pat Curran works on an HO gauge engine which he has converted from a commercial kit.



scape form the intricate and extensive model railroad layout that is the pride and passion of some twenty gentlemen who identify themselves as "The Brotherhood of Model Railroad Trainmen" of greater Portland.

About three-quarters of the present working model was built over the past fourteen years by J. Emmons Lancaster of West Falmouth. The additional cars and layout were contributed by several members of the B-M-R-T.

The present model is an outgrowth of an O-gauge tinplate model railroad that Lancaster received one Christmas from his father. He says, "I just began building cars and locomotives and adding track without any idea what might be the result.

The primary purpose of the Falmouth group is to serve as a clinic for model railroaders, working out the problems of operation or construction that face a model railroader from time to time. The group visits other enthusiasts in the area, giving praise where it is due and lending a hand when necessary.

A native of Groton, Massachusetts, Lancaster is a graduate in civil engineering from the University of New Hampshire, class of '55. A few months after graduation, he moved into a house on Falmouth Road and began setting up his model railroad in the twenty-four-foot-square basement. In short order, the

Brotherhood became acquainted with the twenty-seven-year-old Maine Central Railroad assistant engineer (he works in the bridge division) and began meeting at his home on a twice-weekly basis.

Ranging in age from sixteen to seventy, the group includes a half-dozen railroad employees, a chemist, electronic technicians, machinists, school teachers, doctors, a bank auditor, and a high school student.

Frank Waring, who is now employed as assistant general manager of the Mississippi Export Railroad, is an honorary life member of the B-M-R-T. While in this area, he set up the timetable and contributed to the basement layout, which now includes 100 feet of main line and 400 feet of siding and secondary track, thirty-five steam and diesel locomotives, and 200 passenger and freight cars.

Wednesday night meetings of the Brotherhood are devoted to track repairs and construction, model building, painting, and various other tasks associated with enlarging and maintaining the present set-up. There remain only a few feet of space in the basement not occupied by track layout, storage facilities and work areas.

Fred Brinnick, a research chemist for the S. D. Warren Company, echoes the sentiments of several members when he says, "I find general construction and track layout to be even more fascinating than the actual operation of a model railroad."

On both meeting nights, Brinnick usually can be found working on the fifty to sixty feet of track for a narrow-gauge model railroad currently under construction. Like many other members, Brinnick has his own model railroad at home which is always in the process of being overhauled and enlarged. (*Continued on page 96*)

J. Emmons Lancaster, in whose basement the "Midland Railroad" operates, installs a new building. His group has 35 steam and diesel locomotives and some 200 cars!

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Above: Bill Vinten of Lovell, Me. makes designs in ceramics over brook washed stones.

Left: Mrs. John Murray of Strafford, N. H. explains the basic steps of doll carving.

Below: Tatting isn't always a woman's art says Walter Garland of Springvale, Maine.

by DAMON RIPLEY
Yankee's Roving Reporter

FOR FUN and FUNDS!

►For those of us interested in arts and crafts, there's nothing more enjoyable than quietly snooping about a typical New England hobby and craft exhibit. The photographs on these two pages were taken at the second Lebanon (Maine) Historical Society Arts, Craft and Hobby Show held last July in the Academy Building in West Lebanon.

Exhibitors were not charged for space, but were allowed to sell their products with ten per cent of their sales going to the Historical Society. Everyone benefitted and everyone had a wonderful time. Incidentally, this type of venture is becoming extremely popular as a "fund raiser" —in other words, instead of a supper or rummage sale. When the idea is first introduced to a group, the initial reaction usually is that it would be impossible to attract enough exhibitors. But, don't let this fool you. The Lebanon Historical Society had no trouble whatsoever—even in doing the first show last year. It's amazing how much hidden talent there is everywhere. With a little publicity and

Mrs. Joan Caron of Wolfeboro, N. H., fits a garland of rosebuds she made of woodfiber on Miss Ingrid Gruber. Mrs. Caron's flowers were so realistic a visitor watered them!

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an opportunity offered to display their work as well as to see the work of others, these hidden talents emerge from their workshops, sewing rooms, studios and dens. Before long you'll have to be turning people down for lack of space.

Of course, to put on such a show entails a tremendous amount of work. Just ask Mrs. Winifred Van Houten, who organized the Lebanon show, or any others who've done it! But I think they will all tell you it's worth it—and once they start they always become "annual." Mrs. Van Houten reports that many of the exhibitors at the West Lebanon show signed up for *next* year's show even before this year's was over! Once you start, there's no turning back.

►Mell Prescott and art always have been combined as successfully as ice cream and ginger ale. As a child, Mrs. Prescott—who now lives on Ridge Road in East Longmeadow, Massachusetts—fashioned a toy village from maple syrup cans. Envious neighborhood youngsters watched in awe as she brought her tiny town to life with trees and a doll she had made.

Today, her friends stand just as eagerly before the rooms of Early American furniture (of the period from 1760 to 1780) that she designs in miniature.

Doll hobbyists are fascinated by the miniatures. Scaled one-inch to the foot, they are fashioned by Mrs. Prescott on order either by the piece or by the room. These rooms are complete to the wee silhouettes in daguerreotype frames which may grace a wall. Silhouettes, depending on Mrs. Prescott's mood, take her anywhere from two minutes to an hour to make.

She sends to Chicago for the curly maple and mahogany woods from which she fashions her furniture. Mahogany is the easiest with which to work, for it is much softer than the curly maple.

Mell Prescott first draws on paper the object she intends to make, with accuracy as to scale. Transferring the drawing to wood, she cuts out each piece with her saw and files it into shape, rounding and hollowing the proper places until it represents exactly the piece of furniture after which it is modeled. She uses a milk-type glue to fasten the parts.

It takes her four hours to make a comb-back Windsor. Every item she creates works as it should, whether it is a drop-leaf table or a Vermont cradle three and one-half inches high. Birdcage tables, Chippendale

Mrs. Mell Prescott of E. Longmeadow.

pieces, highboys and lowboys are complete to the most minute detail. She was lucky enough to find a basket of material over one hundred years old which she bought to upholster her Federal sofa and other stuffed pieces.

One of her most intriguing items is a miniature of an antique bellows that really blows air. Made from a combination of leather and wood that has been carefully rounded by hand into a genuine turtle back, it was painted and decorated by her in the authentic colors of white, yellow and old Williamsburg green.

Mell Prescott has put her beautiful home up for sale and hopes soon to build a smaller one with workshop so situated that she will have less housework and more time to devote to making miniatures. Art lovers of the future will be glad she did.

Mrs. Evelyn G. Schoolcraft

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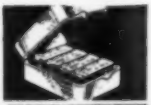

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The children, Charles, Gregory and Shelley Ann, who are taken care of by their grandmother, have grown accustomed to

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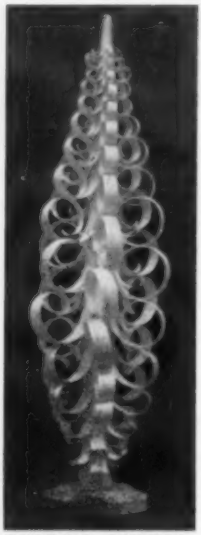

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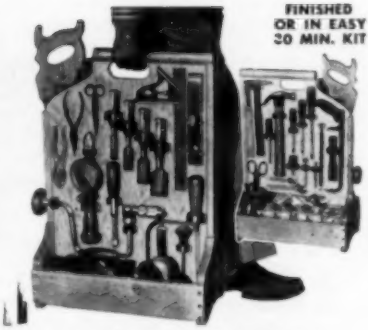

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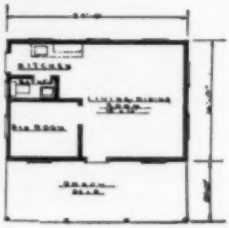

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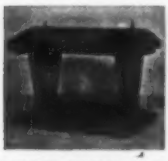

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I was invited to make a trip through the tunnel, or what remains of it today, and took advantage of the invitation a few weeks ago. I descended through the relatively small manhole to climb down a rickety ladder to the floor of the tunnel. There the cavernous arch, twelve feet across, was easily identified.

Although I had been cautioned to watch out for the giant wharf rats, I didn't see a single one in all my crawling and scrambling through the remains of the ancient tunnel. After reaching the water end of the tunnel, I decided to explore further under the buildings in the vicinity, but found nothing which would suggest a continuation of the Gruchy passageway.

Captain Thomas James Gruchy, the tunnel's builder, was a strange, singularly attractive character, who arrived in Boston in the year 1745.

Gruchy purchased the handsome Charter Street colonial mansion formerly owned by Governor Phipps. Then he joined the Old North Church. His persuasive talk and polished manners promptly gave him an important position in the church community. By 1748 he had progressed to such an extent that he was made Junior Warden. Meanwhile, obviously unknown to the rest of the church members, he participated in activities of a vastly different nature.

Late one afternoon reports came from the North End waterfront that something strange was taking place. During the high spring tides, two ancient hulks had been brought up on the beach and floated into two depressions already prepared on the shore there, so close that their taffrails touched. Then a gang of Spanish workmen rowed ashore and began building a high wooden fence around the two ships so that none could see the work going on.

But the people in the vicinity quickly discovered what was happening. The seafaring laborers were actually excavating under the hulls of the two vessels, and building a brick tunnel fourteen feet wide between the two ships. They continued this passage through what is now the Nathaniel Tufts cellar and across the street under Henchman's Lane until it reached the Governor Phipps mansion, which Captain Gruchy then occupied. It was admirably suited for just one purpose—the transportation of smuggled or stolen goods. With the completion of the tunnel the Spaniards left the harbor.

Soon afterward there was talk of mysterious vessels entering Boston Bay during the darkness of the night and anchoring off Captain Gruchy's excavation. They sent their cargoes ashore in open boats, which at high tide could be guided right into the tunnel itself, and unloaded them in leisurely fashion.

Several valuable articles given to the Old North Church by Captain Gruchy were landed in this manner. Chandeliers, which his privateer, *Queen of Hungary,* captured from a French vessel, in this way ultimately found their way to an American church instead of to some Spanish cathedral for which they were probably originally consigned. Some cherubic figures which you can see in the Old North Church today were also gifts of the notorious Gruchy. •

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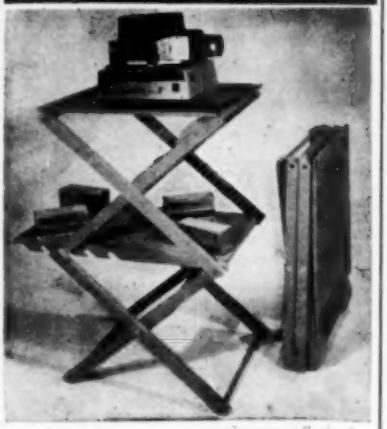

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Spoons and Spooks

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Arriving at the island, they decided to facilitate matters by taking sand from the point closest to the mainland. On their way back, a horrible storm arose, and their craft appeared to be sinking.

The terrified crew stood on deck. Out of the winds the wraith of the old Squire appeared, shaking menacingly above their heads, and moving his clawlike hands in an angry, menacing way.

The frightened men hurried back to the Island and quickly unloaded the incorrect sand. Then they honestly complied with the Squire's wishes.

Miraculously, the storm abated, and the crew reached the mainland with no further mishaps.

The bowl of this spoon contains a happy squirrel, outlined in gold, seated on a tree trunk. The silver backdrop is also framed in gold. Under the tree trunk, the words "Island Maine" are engraved in backhand flourishes. A scroll of seashells embellishes the handle.

Another spirit to be immortalized on a spoon, in this case by a lovely group of eight miniature aquatint portraits, is Lottie of Enken, a girl from New London, Connecticut, who was "witched away" in the eighteenth century.

As a child, Lottie was adopted by Elihu of Enken, tavern keeper at the White Goose, who found her crying in his inn one night. A note pinned to the child stated she was Elihu's cousin.

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One day, an ancient harridan nicknamed "Old Dreary" by the townfolk, came to the tavern complaining of raging pains in her abdomen. After bidding her to keep away from there, Lottie gave her a bit of rum.

Following the episode, several passers-by noticed the woman making strange signs from the woods in Lottie's direction, and Lottie observed her peering out from tree trunks near the tavern, at least twice afterwards.

One evening some time later, Lottie decided to attend a spelling bee at the home of a neighbor, Mistress Danby.

After dressing carefully in a white challis gown, red shoes, and a voluminous cape, she bid Elihu good night. Then, turning from him, she walked into the cold, clear darkness, never again to be seen alive.

The months passed . . . searching for Lottie was a constant activity of Elihu and his companions.

One snowy night, Elihu was standing by his bedroom window, morose and inscrutable. Suddenly he stiffened. He had seen red dancing feet, flashing across the snow. He ran out into the cold. The white snow was stained with blood red footprints.

Soon after, Lottie's lifeless body was found in an almost forgotten cave, with both arms broken.

Old residents said: "Aye, witched away by Old Dreary, she was."

Maybe that statement is true, for whenever snow covered the ground through the passing years, one person or another trudging through the soft drifts, saw her graceful, dancing ghost, in a blue cape, rhythmically pirouetting on the white covered earth.

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Van's Barn

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into the barn for a musicale recently, since the door frames are the original frames from Sherm's barn, big enough, when swung open, to let a load of hay through.

"We laid the boards diagonal in the old door frames (10′ x 10′)," Mr. Streeter explained. "Same opening across the main room onto the terrace and facing the view. There's 140 panes of glass in the doors," Mr. Streeter said proudly.

"The roof? Old roof boards and wood shingles. We put disappearing stairs up to the second gallery under the roof where the water tank is," he added.

But it is the massive field-stone fireplace and chimney breast, the wonderful curved lintel and great stone hearth that leaves one speechless. Not Mr. Streeter, however. He still talks of that facet of the job with pardonable relish. Ask him how he ever managed it and he'll tell you he drew "stun" from over Higley Hill way.

"Up in the pasture's any amount of nice flat stun," he says. "That hearth weighs three ton. Over Shearer Hill way we saw this big ledge, moss covered. Dug it off . . . 9′4″ long and 6′ the other way and a foot thick. Got it rolled on the truck body of a ton truck and drew it from over there."

The gracefully rounded lintel was made with drill and wedges from a ten foot stone. "We was going to level it off but the family said no, they wanted it left rounded at the top like it was," Mr. Streeter explained.

Afterwards the guest house and service wings were built from old barn siding. Ask contractor Streeter how long it took to complete the buildings and he'll reckon a year and a half, maybe. "I remember," he says, "Percy Haskins and I worked on it one winter and the next spring."

The barn-raising itself was a piece of Vermontiana. When the great framework was re-pinned together (newly whittled

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The interior is a joy. The huge, native stone fireplace takes a four-foot log. The chimney-piece, towering right up to the gable, spreads hospitality over the great room open to the rafters. Acoustics couldn't be better for an evening of Beethoven, Shubert and Bloch with piano and viola in satisfyingly balanced program.

Casement windows, draped out in red against silvered gray walls, are placed so as to command the farthest reaches of great green hill rolling to great green hill and on to the distant horizon.

At the other end of this aristocrat of barndom, living quarters were built to include a study (where much of the prize-winning *Colonial History* was written)—bath, bar and kitchen on the first floor, sleeping rooms and bath on the second, and storage chamber on the third. The whole structure forms a facade around which has been thrown a rustic balcony, in keeping with the natural wood of the interior. Stairs leading to the balcony provide a decorous approach to the upper floors. But the adventurously minded have not been forgotten. The haymow ladder is left for those who prefer to go upstairs that way!

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Successful Railroad

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As the men drift over to their assigned stations and begin warming up the locomotives, Ruth Lancaster is busy upstairs bedding down daughters Nancy, two, and Barbara, one, for the night. When that's done, Mrs. Lancaster has to pry loose her five-year-old son, Walter, from his vantage point on the cellar stairs. She says that Walt manages to get in his own licks at operating a section of the model railroad when the older men are not around. As Superintendent of Dining Car Service for the N-E-M-R, it's Mrs. Lancaster's job to set out the coffee cups and put a pot on the kitchen stove as a meeting night draws to its close.

A typical session will get under way with E. M. "Ned" Quinn, a conductor for the Canadian National Railways, moving a work train out of its siding in the Midland's work and classification yard.

At the same time, Dwight Smith, regional sales manager for the Boston and Maine Railroad in Portland, and Jesse Libby assemble the piggyback, coal, refrigerated and other cars for an eight-car freight scheduled to leave Union Station.

Meanwhile, Eddie Adams, senior member and president of the Brotherhood, coaches Tom Coyne, a Portland school teacher, in

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Following a pass-the-buck procedure, Pat Curran moves a twelve-car freight smoothly through Snow Village to a contact point on the outskirts of the Berlin yard. Guy Messenger brings the train into the classification yard where it is broken down and the cars are placed on their destined sidings.

Lancaster, who currently serves as vice president, keeps a sharp eye on the over-all operation, calling out a work crew to handle a breakdown or a train to clear snow off a siding.

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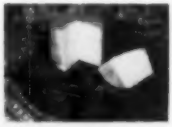

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For this month, with Mr. and Mrs. Bird Hunter in mind, waiting to head for the fragrant forest where quail or partridge or pheasant will surely play hide-and-go-seek with them, we got thinking about suitable clothing for the adventure. (If it's your first—or eighty-first—venture into the fields and woods, *please* be careful?) Then we decided to write to Mr. Bean for suggestions about

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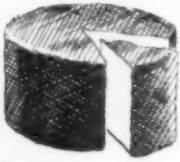

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We are showing two of the ideas he sent us and, since you'll probably be interested too in what your costs will be for adequate clothing that's durable, we quote you directly from L. L. Bean himself.

Mrs. Hunter's outfit (see illustration on page 100) consists of field cap ($2.35); field pants of water-repellent poplin faced with fawn-colored shelter duck ($12.65); tan or scarlet chamois cloth shirt ($5.90), with long body and square tails; and Maine Guide shoes ($13.35). The bird bag over her shoulder (a true bird hunter carries her own prizes!) costs $6.85. Total: $41.10

Mr. Hunter would probably go for a field cap just like Mrs. Hunter's with deep crown, ventilating eyelets, wide and deep visor with unbreakable Cino rubber filler and a pocket in front for small stuff. Comes in tan or green water-repellent poplin. Over a checked red and black wool shirt ($9.85), he might wear a game vest ($6.45) that is made of the best grade of army duck. Two slash hand-warmer pockets, one breast pocket and a rear game pocket with rubberized bottom will, with the front shell loops, take care of his pocket needs. Its color is brush brown. The bush pants ($13.60) of water-repellent poplin are strong but soft, and are tan with contrasting tan facing. (A footnote says: "A field pant of this type must be shorter than a trouser.")

The Maine Guide shoe ($14.90 for the man) is similar for men and women. It combines the best features of a Goodyear welt shoe and a moccasin, and is made of dark oil-tanned leather with brown rubber sole and beveled heels. Be sure to wear heavy socks with this shoe and you'll be able to walk for miles.

Total cost for Mr.: $47.15.

Fine feathers don't make fine bird hunters, but comfortable, light yet strong, well-fitting clothing does make for a pleasanter day all around.

For the cooler days, we'd select (being a woman) a suit of suede cotton poplin. (See illustration page 101.) The unlined, belted coat has a shirt-style collar and cuffs. Matching pants are cut for fit and comfort with side opening and slightly tapered legs. Both come in soft tan. Under the coat, a long-sleeved "Kashmere" finish cotton Duofold Turtle Neck sweater of black, scarlet, or biege would be comfortable. Gunning gloves, a crew hat, and 9" moccasins complete the picture of a

woman in the field—well equipped to meet the rough terrain, any sort of weather, and the tangled undergrowth. Total cost, $56.85.

The man's tan poplin suit—very light weight, but durable—has a double coat with inner layer of same material (sleeves single construction), three bellows pockets with concealed shell loops under bottom two pocket flaps, and a large game pocket, soft corduroy collar and cuff linings. The pants can have a knit cuff, or a straight leg, and the knee and seat linings are also poplin.

With this, a tan poplin shirt, gunning gloves, a hat-cap of army duck (with ear-laps), and overlap seam moccasins. His outfit comes to $59.45.

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Mr. Bean's book, *My Story*, (see "Books Received" YANKEE November 1960) is good reading. A second edition is fourthcoming.

There are those who hunt for birds and game; and there are those who hunt because December is coming up and leisurely Christmas shopping is usually more thoughtful and more fun in vacation time. This leaves one freer, too, when the holidays come, to really live in the spirit and joy and awe that go with the celebration of Christ's birth.

Last Fall we "happened into" The Whistling Oyster at Perkins Cove in Ogunquit, Maine. This year we went there deliberately because we had found their Christmas room so delightful. Not only did they have (in August this was!) a display of Christmas cards from thirty sources but also charming strings of tree lights; tiny felt angels, Santas, and such; tasteful artificial wreaths; fireplace stockings; candles and candle holders; oh, endless and beautiful decorations.

During a pleasant chat with Joy Hawley, the owner, we talked about the many nativity scenes she has acquired from all over the world, some of which have additional interest from back lighting and music box within. The French Santons de Provence are there, as are the carved wooden Christmas-story figures that the Italians and West

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The Whistling Oyster will be open this year until October 15th. It will also be opened any time by appointment (the telephone exchange is at Wells, Maine, and the number to call is Midway 6-2596). Miss Hawley will fill orders by mail until December 1st.

We have found also, during Fall vacations, Christmas cards and decorations in Sturbridge (Mass.) at the Christmas Shop behind the Publick House, and at the Candy and Gift Shop nearby; at The Old Stone Shop, Route #7, Wallingford, Vt.; at Wallace and Wooding's shop on Maple Hill, off Route #73, in Rochester, Vt. (see ad July YANKEE, page 99); at the Wildes' Mason Valley Gift Shop, Mason, N. H.; and at the Christmas Lantern, Route #31, Spencer, Mass. (see ad August YANKEE, page 77).

Other Christmas cards worth looking into are those made by Gordon Brooks, R.F.D. 1, Orleans, Mass. (see ad August YANKEE, inside cover). Brooks cards are silk-screened and sold only from his studio, but a set of samples may be obtained by mail by sending fifteen cents to Mr. Brooks—the designer and producer of some very handsome cards. And Hallocraft, Richmond, Mass. will make Christmas cards of your home, sketched from your snapshot, and printed in red on white (see ad August YANKEE page 84)—but you'd better get this one under way right soon or 'twill be too late.

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An Apology: To Mal Williams of Bass River, Cape Cod, Mass., for putting his International Trader shop on Route #23 instead of on Route #28 where, of course, it is.

Millions of Baskets: At West Rindge Baskets, Inc., Rindge, N. H. and the Basket Barn on Route #101 in Amherst, N. H.

Professional Suggestions: From the "Kirsch Guide to Window Beauty"—a newly published 96-page book showing window treatments for every type of wind-

ow and every type of home, and for apartments. Arrangement, texture, pattern, and coordination are explained; there's a valuable color and fabric section, and a ten-page drapery hardware section, as well as instructions for making lined and unlined draperies, shirred and cafe curtains and matching slipcovers. Only $.25 from Kirsch Company, Sturgis, Mich. A really helpful book.

Needle and Hobby Craft Supplies: Catalog 85 from Herrschners, 72 East Randolph Street, Chicago 1, Ill., is comprehensive, detailed and illustrative of the large supplies carried for needle and craft workers. It's free.

New Game: Parker Brothers, Salem, Mass., the nation's leading publisher of games for more than 75 years, has one this year for youngsters called "Babes in Toyland" ($2.00), for 2 to 5 players, using characters portrayed in the Walt Disney movie of the same name to be seen in December. Due to unusual construction, youngsters can cause the fairy tale characters to "shrink" or "grow" before their eyes. Sounds like fun?

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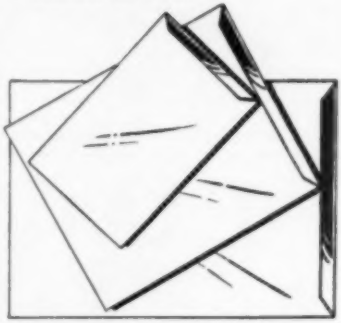

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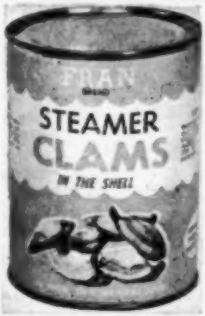

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Recipe with a History

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YOUNG GIRLS OF HALF A CENTURY ago had relatively few opportunities to earn money; consequently, the girls on Cape Cod were fortunate in having cranberry bogs all around them. The owners of the bogs wanted the cranberries picked at low cost, and the neighboring girls were glad to do it on that basis.

A recipe for cranberry jelly gives a wonderful picture of this turn-of-the-century time when girls rushed off from their simple farm homes at dawn, waded and worked with their hurt fingers till noon, frolicked around happily during the luncheon hour, worked hard all afternoon, trading sandwiches and gossip, and then returned home proudly at night with a dollar or two.

This picture of part of the past comes from Mrs. Elmer L. Bassett

of Harwich, Massachusetts. As she says:

"There are a few of us left who remember Cranberry Time as it was over sixty years ago. It came along in September and continued into part of October. Elementary schools began then, having been deferred to allow the young people to make as much money picking cranberries as possible.

"We started picking in the morning as soon as the vines were dry, following rows made by lines drawn across the bog.

"Two usually picked in a row, careful not to pick across the line. Most owners employed an overseer who followed along behind the pickers, and watched to see that they left no berries.

"We picked in six-quart measures. When filled, we would empty them into a barrel, where someone would give us a little ticket with '6 quarts' printed on it, along with the name of the owner of the bog.

"We girls put the tickets into a little bag hung around our necks, and by night, at the rate of eight cents for each six quarts, we usually had about a dollar.

"We carried our lunches, having a real picnic during the noon hour. Then we picked until shadows began to fall, and went home weary, with hands sore from the rough vines.

"Most of the berries were, and still are, called 'Early Blacks,' which my great-grandfather was one of the first to cultivate.

"My father, too, owned cranberry bogs, and this recipe is one my mother used in cooking the berries he grew:

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Contest Rules for "Recipe With A History"

1—Address entries:
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2—All entries become the property of YANKEE.

3—Decision of the judges is final. In the event of a tie, duplicate prizes will be awarded.

4—Recipe should be at least 50 years old, preferably from the family background of the person submitting it, accompanied by an interesting story establishing its authenticity. Maximum length, including recipe, 500 words.

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"Bloody" Apples

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peddlar failed to pay his calls the following winter. It was remembered his last stop had been at Micah Rood's farm, and that since then Micah, a friendly outgoing man, had been morose and melancholy. And there were the apples. Was the spot caused by the blood of an innocent man trickling down into the roots of the tree? Was this direct incrimination of the guilty man?

While villagers whispered Micah lost the desire to live. His farm died quickly, but he lingered on. Records of the Congregational Church for 1717 show: "October ye first day. Ye society voted yt. each family shall give Micah Rood a peck of corn for sweeping ye meetinghouse one year."

Micah's death wait was long, his torture slow. A July 5, 1727, entry of the society notes, "The inhabitants do now, by their vote, agree to allow each man that watches with Micah Rood, two shillings per night. Also to those who have attended sd Rood by day, three shillings per day."

The end came on a December night. Micah Rood died a pauper as evidenced by this accounting of funds of the society: "December 17, 1728—to Jacob Hyde for digging Micah Rood's grave £o, 4s od."

But the unique monument to his reported crime grew, and for more than two centuries showered apples on the ground beneath its strong branches.

Stanley Armstrong, a selectman in Franklin for the past eighteen years recalls, "As a boy I gathered and ate my share of Mikes every summer. They were small and juicy like McIntosh apples."

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Through the years several attempts were made by enterprising residents to cultivate other Mike apple trees from cuttings, but no one had the green thumb of Johnny Appleseed. "All the offshoots died," reports Mrs. Maude Manning, local historian.

The authenticity of the Micah Rood legend has never been seriously questioned. In 1869 the town's leading citizen Dr. Ashbel Woodward declared, "In face of the facts, who shall pronounce the story of Micah Rood a fiction, or think it too strange that nature should thus record her horror of human crime?"

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"As for the vari-shaped houses I paint, they are there and seem to demand my attention. I love them, and that's that!"

Like Winslow Homer and John Marin, Solotaire is a transplanted New Englander. Born in Manhattan, where he, his wife and two children now spend the winter months, Solotaire was introduced to New England by his wife, whose family lives in Brunswick, Maine. "Though my family came from Hungary and Russia and I was brought up in New York, I felt at home in Maine almost as soon as we were introduced." Like other artists who have painted in New England, Solotaire has put one foot on the soil by acquiring a much-prized chunk of the Maine coast.

Formerly a studio painter, who worked from sketches of his subject matter, Solotaire now works almost entirely out of doors. This is one reason he currently winters in New York's milder climate.

Solotaire finds that painting in New York generally attracts a crowd, frequently made up of small children whose appreciation is expressed by phrases like "That's cool, man." "It's gotten so that if I'm working outdoors I feel neglected if at least one or two people don't stop and talk," says Solotaire, who became accustomed to kibitzers while painting at night in an improvised living room studio, in the company of visiting friends. Painting on Harpswell Neck, in Maine, is quite different, he finds. The local people are accustomed to seeing painters recording their sometimes neglected and sometimes shipshape homes and hauled-out boats. Most of them pay little attention unless it's their home or boat being painted. Then they follow the picture's progress and usually offer background notes on the subject's history.

As a way of paying his respects to the subject matter, Solotaire gives his paintings titles such as *Randall's Store, Moody's Place* and *The St. Cyr Place.* All these were painted on Harpswell Neck, an artistic vein that is far from exhausted. Solotaire plans many more pictures along Route 123 to the sea; scenes that he has seen repeatedly for years and have become incised on his memory. One, *Gabe's House,* has an old-fashioned glass-shaded red lamp in the window which glows early in the evening in contrast to the deep blues of New England twilight. Another, the *Allen Place,* looks its best as the *(Continued on next page)*

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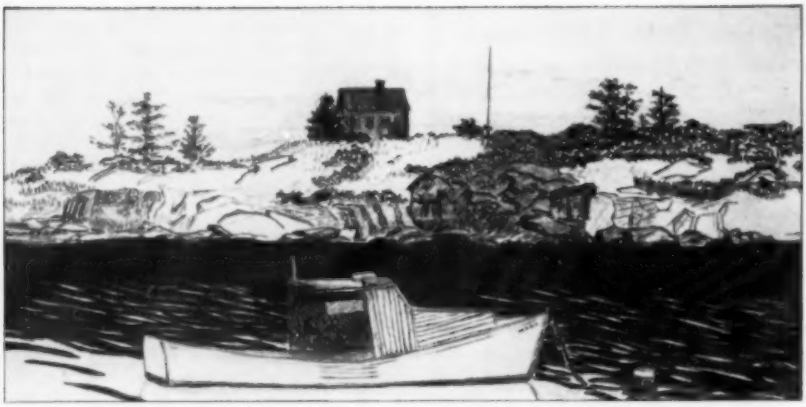

Part of Solotaire's rough sketch of his Ram Island, Me., property across Ewins Narrows.

brilliant oranges of sunset reflect from its Gothic-style windows.

A major influence on Solotaire is the work of his brother-in-law, Stephen Etnier, who, though born in Pennsylvania, has been painting the New England scene for almost thirty years and makes his home the year around in Harpswell. Coincidentally, Etnier was the subject of a YANKEE article (Feb. 1955) written by Solotaire while he was still supplementing his painting income by editing a weekly newspaper. Referring to the article, Solotaire recalled an Etnier observation that also sums up his attitude towards New England painting: "You can't paint a lobsterman because he's picturesque and expect to get a decent picture unless he really means something to you and you've something to say about him." In painting coastal Maine, Solotaire searches for subject matter that strikes a strong personal

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response in him, not just a conventionally 'quaint' arrangement of seagulls and lobster buoys. "Can that be dull!" he says.

Solotaire feels that pronouncements of a general nature about art with a capital A would be presumptuous coming from a thirty-one-year-old artist. Nevertheless he has very strong feelings about painting which he strives to express in his work. "I paint the things that *get me,* whether they've been done or not. And I don't mind saying that specific work by certain artists has inspired me." When Solotaire was concerned about the derivation of a certain picture, a friend pointed out that many fine works have had their origin in something that preceded, and cited Brahms' *Variations on a Theme by Haydn* as an example. While only a fraction of Solotaire's work is so derived, that particular advice has had a lasting impression.

Interestingly, Solotaire has found the Dallas, Texas gallery of Mrs. Foster Yancey to be a live outlet for the sale of his work. Mrs. Yancey, who yearly makes the trip to summer in Maine, became acquainted with Etnier's paintings there, and recently Solotaire's, and found that Texans responded enthusiastically to New England's people and scenes. New England artists, however, do not have to go that far afield for recognition. Solotaire shows his work at Brunswick's McKenzie Gallery and has won prizes in New England shows such as the annual Silvermine Guild show in Norwalk.

Perhaps also inspired by his brother-in-law's beautiful house, Solotaire and his wife, Pat, spent many summer days covering the Maine coast from Freeport to Wiscasset with real estate agents, looking at homes for sale. Finally, while out painting in South Harpswell one day, Solotaire spotted a dramatic point of land across a deep channel of water known as Ewins Narrows. A little detective work up and down the point finally turned up the owner, whose family had held the property for four generations. Without having been closer than the view across the Narrows, Solotaire decided to buy the fifty-six-acre point and held the deed before the summer's close. Only then did he make the trek by way of Great Island to inspect his property on foot. "It was even more beautiful than I had thought. I had previously been able to see only a fraction of it and I found that the rest included a birch grove, open fields, woods, foundations from three old stone houses, and even a natural indentation in the shape of a giant swimming pool. It was wonderful." Friends in the city sometimes ask Solotaire if has posted the land, and he explains that he wouldn't want to. He feels it is wrong to use a deed as a franchise to deprive others of the land's use and pleasures. "Shore frontage is scarce enough, and I believe it belongs to all of us as long as we share the responsibility of using it well." •

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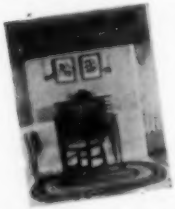

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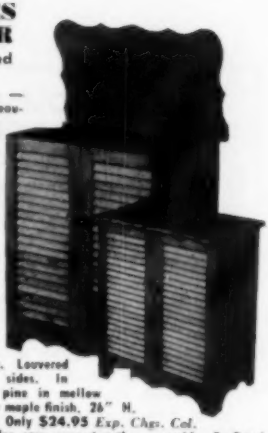

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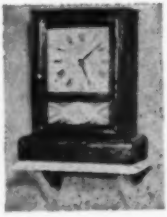

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WE WALK A DAY IN FALL
by KATHLEEN KRANIDAS

We walk a day in fall presaging spring.
Abruptly calm, clouds wind above the wind
And birds abandon ground to swing bright wings
On air the wind has pruned, the sun has thinned.

Beneath the trees the leaves take leave of light
And cleave to earth; and sounding earth, the wind has wound
In shrouds of dark all seeds that fathom flight
And bound them tight beneath contracting ground.

Almost we could attest this day as May—
Except the dead and scarlet leaves surge air,
Are flung to moulder in the tightening clay,
And earth that light struck bright is hard, is bare.

Tulips—amber, gold—will bell to blare
Across the spring abundant green struck air
And daffodils and holly hocks will flare:
Eternal trumpets blasting down despair.

SECOND BLOOMING
by EVE TRIEM

Again it is autumn and morning,
the air, young with the sunnygold odor of dandelion.
Around a vacant house the grasshoppers simmer,
foxgrass and cocklebur, the grasshoppers revive their youth
in dances. In a street between ravines, the shopgirls
teeter on painted heels, their zinnia skirts make a garden
of Main Street.

Everyone wears this youth as a wedding-favor.
The Victorian houses are suddenly slim and glittered.
The bus-driver stops at the children's corner;
bus tokens clink and jokes begin to crackle. . .
His slow eyes brighten, he drops twenty years,
he is Argos choosing the right ship-planks;
he is Hylas beloved of brook-nymphs.

O this morning, everyone has sun-sparkles to his sleeves,
skips to imagined bassons.

THE SALT MARSH LAND
by JEAN PEDRICK

Give us October to preserve and hold
For the long winter when the marsh is cold
And its salt pools are glassed. Our harvest now
Of pewter bayberries on a leafed bough
And armfuls of black alder and the thin
Cat-nine-tails we have gathered and brought in
Tell us these moors were dazzling and gold,

Gold and then tawny, like the tiger's hide
The tiger sleeping flattened on his side.
Then grey, then patched with coral bloom, then black
As continents on maps where pools lie back
Steaming and stagnant and lost to the sea
From which the seasonless wind stirs in to be
Caresser, trampler, memory of tide.

Give us October and we will unroll
The parchment recollection when the mole
Smells snow through his hard roof and digs a new
Cellar below his cellar. We will view
This stretched chart of passion, this sea land
We breathe and honour, drink and understand,
And half remember, and believe in whole:

Who if we have October are immune
To all that can beset us until June.
Each sees this gold blush on the other's face
(You are most tall, strong, noble in this place,
You are a mockery to frost, are reeds
Twanging with salty music, are gold needs
Poured full, gold fortunes spended. You are free.
And this is likewise just as true of me.)
Now in October we are words and tune

Of our most vital music. Death all round
Brightens and stiffens the gold generous ground.
Winter which hovers like the lonesome gull,
His precise eye fixed on his gleanings, full
Presage of winter, feathered and beaked and proud,
A white threat in the upper air, cries loud
Loud out of triumph and shrill certainty,
But in this light of tawny marshes we,
With love our season, also love his sound.

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WHAT ARE WE SUPPOSED TO BE- MOUNTAIN GOATS ?
THAT'S THE SECOND TIME TODAY I'VE FELL IN
THERE'S A HERD OF COWS ON A ROCKY ISLE AT CASCO BAY
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New England Miniature by George Ernst, 284 pages with index. Wheelwright Press, Freeport, Me., $5.00. York, Maine, with all its teeth.

This is Fairfield by Elizabeth V. H. Banks, 270 pages (large) with index, from the author at 2477 Bronson Rd., Fairfield, Conn., $9.10 Ppd. 301 years and 200 pictures of one of New England's ideal towns.

The Story of Cuttyhunk by Louise T. Haskell, 54 pages, paper cover, $1.50 from author at Cuttyhunk, Mass. Informative, well-done description and history of the New England island which may have been the scene of Shakespeare's "Tempest."

A.M.C. Maine Mountain Guide, 190 pages with maps, Appalachian Mountain Club, 5 Joy St., Boston, Mass. Invaluable, instructive, interesting, accurate.

Fruits in the Home Garden, Brooklyn Botanic Garden, 96 pages, ill., 1000 Washington Ave., Brooklyn 25, N. Y., $1.00. Another of the highly interesting and useful booklets we recommend you order, read, and do not loan. Serves for all of U.S.A.

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The Unexpected Messiah by Elizabeth Pool, 294 pages with index, Ives Washburn, 119 W. 40th, N.Y.C., $5.00. Reinterpretation of the Bible story in dramatic detail from a twenty-year study by the author of the subject. Verges on historical fiction.

The Hancock Shakers by Edward Deming Andrews, 39 pages, paper cover, Shaker Community, Hancock, Mass., $1.00. Well done account of this particular community, worth sending for.

The Speech Family by Fairmount M. White, 51 pages (large), ill., paper cover, from the author, Box 707, Newport News, Va., $2.00. Simple, interesting story—most useful for conveying the fundamentals of English grammar to the young.

The Hungry War by Albert Britt, 255 pages with index, Barre Gazette, Barre, Mass., $5.00. An account of the American Revolution for boys and girls: that is, the author started to write it for children, then found the material so fascinating he switched to all ages. As he obviously knows his subject, and writes well, you'll hardly go wrong on this one.

Grey Gold, Whale Hunters Aboard The, by Chester S. Howland, 140 pages, Caxton Printers, Caldwell, Idaho, $4.00. A fine time to be reviewing a 1957 book but it still is a fine book and you get the advantage of the '57 price. It's for boys and girls and it is a thrilling tale of the sea by one of the outstanding writers in this field.

Sombra by Harry Behn, 47 pages, hard cover, from the author, North St., Greenwich, Conn., $3.50. Numbered edition (300—ours is #3) of the author's poetry, printed in Copenhagen. The author is one of the most delightful people you'd ever want to meet. The poems are, of course, excellent. If you like good things, this is a treasure.

The Artist and the Book, 1860-1960, by Philip Hofer, 232 pages with index, numerous illustrations, Harvard College Library, Graphic Arts Dept., Cambridge, Mass., $10.00. Already a collector's item, this valuable catalogue weaves the story of an hundred years of how it was with book illustration here and in Western Europe. The author and compiler insists this is a catalogue but how rarely does the intrinsic merit of fact without comment speak as beautifully for itself as does this veritable factual mountain. If this be a catalogue, let's have more catalogues and fewer books! A must, of course, for pleasure, instruction, and investment.

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First Hand Report by Sherman Adams, 481 pages with index, Harper's, 49 East 33rd, N.Y.C., $5.95. Here, in places, we see the charming individual Sherman Adams can be; he stands back and laughs at himself on a stage which is all of the world; he picks up the meaning of great music; he is the adoring husband and father; he is one with Nature; he is proud of his college (Dartmouth), his friends and associates. But this man of whom so many became so frightened, still 'runs scared"—even as he did when he scuttled Bob Taft and in his years in the White House. What does Sherman Adams see which we do not that makes him so fearful? He does not say.

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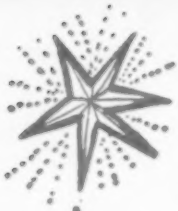

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